

RATION GUIDE

Blue Stamps—H2 through G-1. Red Stamps—Y-4 through U-2. Sugar—Stamps 35 and 36. Gasoline—A15 coupons expire June 21—B-6, C-6, B-7, C-7 good for 5 gallons each.

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WEATHER

Increasing cloudiness and slightly warmer today, showers and cooler by Tuesday. High yesterday 65. Low last night 49. Sunrise 6:06 — Sunset 7:57

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WAR IN EUROPE ENDED

Allies Received Unconditional Surrender at Reims Sunday

Sizable Forces Be Brought To Bear Upon Japanese Now

Army Headquarters, Pacific Ocean Areas, May 7.—(AP)—The United States will have "a sizeable force" of Army troops in the Pacific within three to four months after V-E day to speed realization of V-J day, says Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, Jr., commanding Army forces in the Pacific Ocean areas.

War Against Japan Speeded "It is the policy of the War Department," said the General, "to prosecute the war against Japan with utmost celerity," implying there will be no lull in operations in the Pacific as a consequence of victory over Germany.

Not So Many Needed The Allies in the Pacific probably will not need as many troops as were thrown against Germany, Richardson said, and those coming over from Europe won't require any special indoctrination for fighting the Japanese.

Hertford Lions Plan Ladies Night

Hertford, May 7.—The Hertford Lions Club put the finishing touches on the program for the seventy anniversary ladies night at their meeting Friday night held at the Colonial Tourist Home.

The Rev. J. D. Cranford, made a highly interesting talk on the Dumbarton Oaks and the San Francisco Conference at Friday night meal.

Dare Leads Nation In Variety of Fish

Manteo, May 7.—Dare County has more kind of fish than any other of the 3,083 counties in the United States, according to the information released by the U. S. Bureau of Fisheries.

Schools, Courts and Stores Close As European War Ends

Surrender Story Came Direct To AP

By The Associated Press

Edward Kennedy, Associated Press correspondent who sent from Reims, France, first word of Germany's unconditional surrender, has been chief of AP war coverage in Europe virtually since the beginning of American Army engagements against the Germans.

Shortly after the sounding of the long blasts on the siren, the stores were emptied and clerks filed down the street on the way home.

Body of Von Bock Found Near Roadside

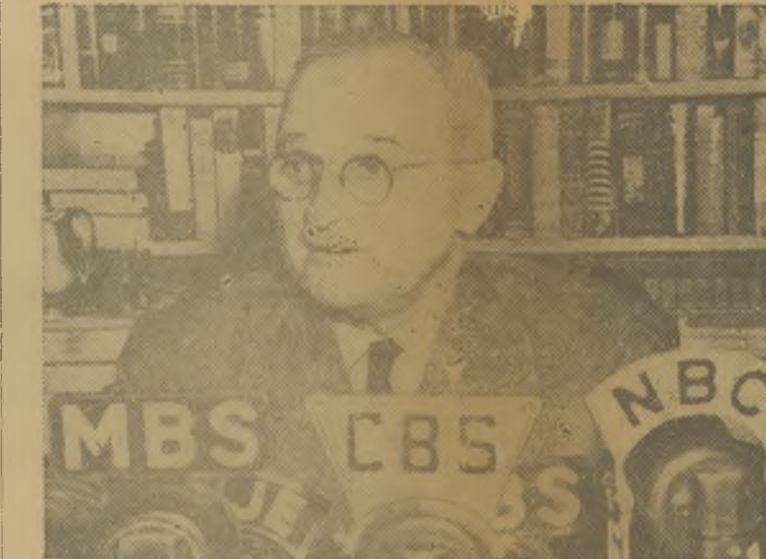
With the British Second Army, May 7.—(AP)—The bullet riddled body of German Field Marshal Fedor Von Bock was discovered by British troops yesterday near a roadside north of Hamburg, where he apparently was slain in an allied strafing raid.

Accents Surrender of Germans

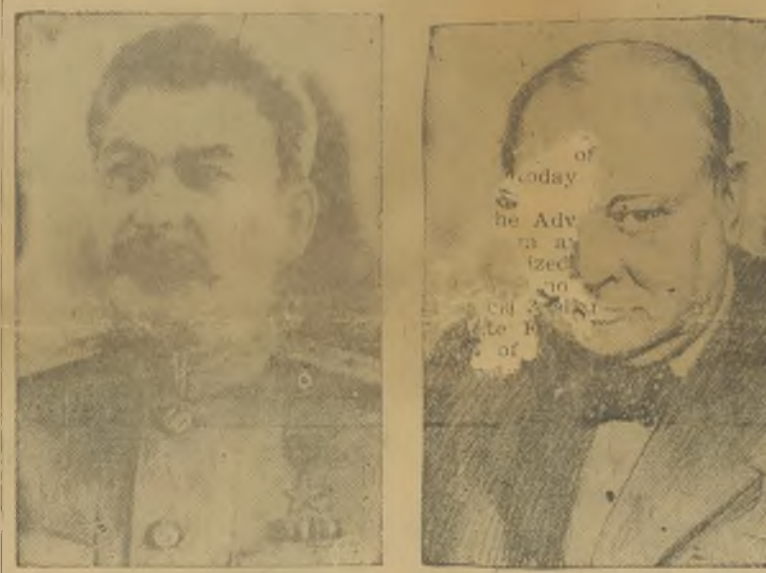


It was General Ike Eisenhower, above, who asked German General Jodl, surrendering the master of the Reich, if he understood the terms of the surrender and accepted the surrender when General Jodl answered "Yes."

Allies Plan V-E Day Proclamation



PRESIDENT HARRY TRUMAN



PREMIER STALIN PRIME MINISTER CHURCHILL

Proclamations from the heads of the Big-Three nations were to formally proclaim the coming of V-E Day. Above President Harry S. Truman appears in a characteristic broadcast pose, Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin will broadcast to their people and the world at approximately the same hour.

Jodl Who Surrendered Germany Was Wounded In Plot Against Hitler

By The Associated Press Col. Gen. Gustav Jodl who signed the unconditional surrender for Germany apparently is the same as Gen. Alfred Jodl who was wounded last July 20 in the attempted assassination of Adolf Hitler.

On March 17, Jodl inspected the Bavarian redoubt where the Nazis had hoped to make their last stand. Back in 1942, Jodl was reported to have been Hitler's personal aide.

Band Draws 4,000 At Norfolk Park

Norfolk, May 7.—Close to 4,000 persons turned out Sunday at City Park for the first of the summer series of Sunday band concerts begun by the 85-piece Elizabeth City High School Band, Waldo R. Hainsworth, director of recreation, estimated today.

Two Former French Premiers Among Notables Released

Paris, May 7.—(AP)—Two former French premiers, Edouard Daladier and Paul Reynaud, were en route back to Paris today with a group of other notables after liberation from a Nazi prison by U. S. Seventh Army forces sweeping through Austria.

Revival at Hertford To Close Wednesday

Hertford, May 7.—The series of revival services being conducted at the Hertford Baptist Church by the Rev. Albert Simms of Littleton, who began April 29, will last through Wednesday May 9.

Statement By Nazi Officer Says Reich Now in Hands of Allies

Commissioners Halt Session When War In Europe Ended

V-E Day draped the session of the county commissioners' meeting just as the seven men had congregated for their deliberative session.

Hour of Truman Announcement V-E Day Not Decided

London, May 7.—(AP)—The British Ministry of Information announced that tomorrow will be treated as V-E Day.

Washington, May 7.—(AP)—President Truman said today he agreed with the London and Moscow governments that he would make no announcement on the surrender of enemy forces "until a simultaneous announcement can be made by the three governments."

News items surged into the White House in anticipation of an expected V-E announcement.

Nothing Official White House aides said they had nothing official to announce at once on a cessation of hostilities in Europe.

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Russian Flyer Salutes Flag As Siren Sounds Nazi Surrender

While he waited on foot for the light on Poindexter and Main to turn from green to red a father whose only son is somewhere in Germany fell, somewhat idly into conversation with an acquaintance.

Portal-To-Portal Pay Upheld by High Court

Washington, May 7.—(AP)—The Supreme Court ruled today that bituminous coal miners are entitled to portal-to-portal underground wages.

Justice Murphy delivered the court's 5-4 decision. Justice Jackson wrote a dissent in which Chief Justice Stone and Justices Roberts and Frankfurter concurred.

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At that time President Truman was in his private office swapping talk with Sgt. James P. Connor, (See V-E DAY page 1)

Help One Another

"From the collapse of the past, let us preserve and save one thing—unity, the ideas of the national community, which in the years of war have found their highest expression in the spirit of comradeship at the front and readiness to help one another in all the distress which has afflicted the homeland."

"No illusions about the severity of the terms to be imposed on the German people by our enemies. We must now face our fate squarely and unemotionally."

"The sacrifices plus the highest obligations on us. Our sympathy goes first to our soldiers. It goes out above all to the wounded, the bereaved and to all on whom this struggle has inflicted blows."

"We must accept this burden and stand loyally by the obligations we have undertaken. But we must not despair and fall into mere resignation. Once again we must set ourselves to stride along the path through the dark future. These are the factors guaranteeing the best state—unity, justice and liberty."

Laval Says France Will Thank Him

Barcelona, May 7.—(AP)—Pierre Laval has told his guards at Montjuich fortress that he is "completely confident" that he will be acquitted if tried as a war criminal and that France will give him "a vote of thanks."

Marion Perry